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Editorial Notes

Looking over the Assembly's list of commissioners, we see numbers of names of men who would be excellent moderators. If we had the habit of the other church, we would have been engaged in a fine debate, with so many admirably equipped men to choose from.

The Home-Foreign Missions duty of our Church should be given special attention at Savannah. The problem is one that looms large. Many who are in immediate contact with the hundreds of thousands of foreign speaking people in Texas and Louisiana ask that special effort be made with this large class which God has placed right amongst us, bringing the great home work and foreign work in actual touch with each other.

The program of speakers at the Assembly's celebration of the Calvin anniversary has twelve names of distinction, who will themselves be a notable gathering on one platform. Of Presbyterian laymen are Hon. Frank T. Glasgow, of Lexington, Va., and President G. W. Denny, of Washington and Lee University. From across the seas come Professor James Orr, of Glasgow, and the Rev. Dr. Charles Merle D'Aubigne, of Paris. From the pastorate are Dr. A. M. Fraser, of Staunton, Va., and Dr. Henry Collins Minton, of Newark, N. J. From the secretary's office is Dr. S. L. Morris, of Atlanta, and from the schools of divinity are Dr. B. B. Warfield, of Princeton; Dr. S. A. King, of Austin, Texas; Dr. R. A. Webb, of Louisville; Dr. R. C. Reed, of Columbia, and Dr. T. C. Johnson, of Union Seminary, Richmond, Va. These addresses will make a volume of great value.

Of distinguished divines from abroad visiting America at this time, Professor James Orr has been in Toronto and Western Canada. He will have part in the Calvin celebration at Savannah and read a paper at the Pan-Presbyterian Council in June. Professor James Denney, after a course of lectures in the Presbyterian College, Halifax, Nova Scotia, went west to Vancouver. He returns to Scotland in July. The Rev Charles

Merle D'Aubigne, of France, has been a visitor in Richmond, Virginia, speaking at the Union Seminary, before the Huguenot Society, at the Woman's Club and at the Union University for Colored Men. He also will participate in the Calvin celebration at Savannah.

The meetings in Atlanta, last week, in the interest of the Presbyterian Hospital, located at Atlanta, were of great interest. A new plan of work has been outlined. It includes a change of charter so as to make it the Presbyterian Hospital in Georgia; a change of management, so that it will hereafter be under care of trustees elected by the Synod and the Presbyteries of Georgia and such other Presbyteries as may be affiliated; and the appointment of Rev. Dr. S. R. Preston as head of the institution.

Besides this it proposes the opening of schools in connection with the hospital. Already there is a training school for nurses; it contemplates a training school for mission workers, and in order to do this while the control of the hospital is in the hands of thirty-six trustees who are all laymen, there is added an "Advisory Board" of thirty-six ministers, appointed in like manner, who will have the care of those classes which are concerned with Bible study or preparation for mission work.

These changes promise great advancement in the hospital work. Already there has been material progress. Money has been raised to pay the debts of the past. A strong desire has been aroused to see the hospital purchase property and locate in a building of its own where every appointment may be made to meet the most critical cases. The prospects are good.

Too much praise can not be given to the physicians who have rendered gratuitous service in the hospital for years. We know them to be men of skill and judgment, and they have given a great deal of unpaid labor. In years past the hospital has given a great deal of care and attention to the sick poor—those who were utterly unable to make remuneration. Under the new management, the hope is that the charity department may be much enlarged.

We have not yet seen any "explanation" from Mayor Rose's party, of Milwaukee, showing how their report of a personal visit to Birmingham and of the liquor conditions there and of the ease with which they could secure all they wanted got into the papers ahead of their visit to that city! When people read the mayor's arguments and figures in defence of the liquor traffic they should ask themselves what confidence can be placed in the statements of a man who had his experiences in Birmingham before he had even been in the place. The unlucky publication of the report ahead of the time scheduled for its appearance reveals much of the character and methods of the liquor advocates.